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‘Société Internationale de Droit Militaire et de Droit de la Guerre’

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THE ‘SILENT LEGES INTER ARMA?’ CONFERENCE IV

By the *Belgian Group* under the Auspices of the
International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

OUTLINE OF THE PROGRAM

Ref.: ISMLLW 1031 N E 11 b

Grand Hotel Casselbergh, Bruges
15-18 September 2020

Tuesday 15 September 2020

- Arrival of the participants
- 14:00 – 16:00 Joint Meeting of the Managing Board & the Board of Directors (Board members only)
- 17:00 – 18:15 Registration
- 18:30 – 20:00 Welcome drink at the hotel lounge

Wednesday 16 September 2020

- 07:30 – 08:15 Registration
- 08:30 – 08:45 Opening of the conference
- 08:45 – 10:15 Panel 1 - Topical Human Rights Issues in Relation to Armed Forces
- 10:15 – 10:40 Group photo & Coffee/Tea
- 10:40 – 12:00 Panel 2 – Cyber Espionage and International Law
- 12:00 – 12:45 Lunch buffet
- 13:00 – 22:00 City walk in Bruges, followed by a bus ride to Ostend, a visit to Atlantikwall Raversyde, a standing dinner and a bus ride back to Bruges

Thursday 17 September 2020

09:00 – 10:30 *Panel 3 - The Applicability of International Humanitarian Law in Peace Operations: What Are the Practical Implications & Is There Room for Further Clarification?*

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee/Tea

11:00 – 12:30 *Panel 4 – War in an Urbanised World – What are the International Humanitarian Law Implications?*

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch buffet

13:30 – 15:00 *Panel 5 – Lawfare and Legal Operations – What Will the Future Bring?*

15:00 – 15:30 Coffee/Tea

15:30 – 17:30 *Panel 6 - Hybrid Threats to the Law of the Sea*

Free evening

Friday 18 September 2020

09:30 – 10:30 *Panel 7 – Foreign Intervention in A Pre-existing Non-International Armed Conflict – What Are the Consequences in Terms of International Law?*

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee/Tea

11:00 – 11:30 Debate among the presenters of panel 7

11:30 – 12:00 *Closing Remarks & Handing Over of the Certificates of Participation*

14:30 – 21:00 *Optional Visit (separate registration and payment of an additional fee required) to Flanders Fields, including attendance of the Last Post at the Menin Gate in Ypres, ceremony with wreath laying*